

Minutes of the Board of Directors
May 19, 2008
Syracuse University

Attending:

Fran Apollo, Deborah Bernnard, Yu-Hui Chen, Pat Hults, Jane Kessler, Elizabeth Strickland, Suzanne Preate, Suzanne Turner, Susan Zappen

1. Approval of minutes of the January 17, 2008 conference call meeting

Fran asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Susan moved to approve. Pat seconded the motion. The Board voted on the motion and the minutes were accepted as reported.

2. Committee Reports

a. Communications – Pat Hults

Pat reported that there will be a special issue of the newsletter this fall focusing on digitization projects. She will send an email with further information. Susan will provide a report on the spring conference and some pictures for the next newsletter.

b. Membership – Suzanne Preate

Suzanne will be doing a survey about an online membership directory which she will provide to the board for comments before sending.

3. Officer Reports

Treasurer - Elizabeth Strickland

Liz noted that we added \$14.54 to the Newkirk Award amounts so that students could receive a rounded amount of \$3875.

It was noted that the annual financial report should have been reported to the membership at the business meeting. It should also be included in the paper archives. There was a discussion of the digitization of our archives. Susan will speak to Michelle Parry about it. There may be space for us on the ACRL server. Suzanne P. indicated that this could be an appropriate project for an intern under her supervision. She would first need an idea of the scope of the physical material.

4. Old Business

Fran noted that the Government Liaison position is still open, although she has been covering it. Gretchen Lieb has indicated that she would be willing to mentor a new

person in the position. The duties are listed in the bylaws. The position description will be sent to the ENY/ACRL listserv asking for volunteers.

5. New Business

The question arose as to when our organization would be having the next significant anniversary. Fran will check on our founding date.

Deborah Bernnard noted that now that the Newkirk Fund had been spent down, it would still be nice to have a scholarship fund.

There will be a Program Planning Committee meeting in July and a Board Meeting in August.

Brown bag programs will be continued this fall in lieu of a conference. Susan mentioned that the Program Planning committee needs to think about parking, a room with Internet access, and water and dessert.

It was mentioned that perhaps we could have a social gathering with some folks from the Academic and Special Libraries Section of NYLA since the NYLA conference will be in Saratoga this fall.

Brenda Hazard will find out if we can have the Spring 2009 conference at HVCC. She will join the Program Planning Committee. There are about 22 people currently on the committee. Susan recommended that Suzanne T. send out an email to committee members confirming that they want to stay on the committee for the next year and suggest dates for the July meeting. Evaluations from the 2008 conference should be provided to the committee. Skidmore is a possibility for a conference site in the future after the new music center has been built. Suzanne T. is thinking about access from the public service point of view as the topic for the next conference. There was consensus that this would be of interest to many.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Kessler